### The McCook Tribune.

By F. M. KIMMELL.

OFFICIAL CITY & COUNTY PAPER.

#### ON THE FRONTIER.

There is nothing small or narrow in the Western way of doing things, and when, in the latter part of 1871, The Utopia Townsite Co. sent out its advertisements, pamphlets and circulars, setting forth the unparalleled opportunities offered for obtaining much with little outlay, many responded, eager to secure the privileges. As soon as the spring of 1872 opened, the "colony" thus formed, set out for the promised land, about one hundred miles beyond the regular settling up of the country. The R. R. was to be built "within a year or eighteen months at farthest," and here would be the "machine shops and roundhouse." The Land Office was to be located in the "city," —a military post established and other large schemes suggested. The town was laid out in streets and avenues and named; but it came opportunities offered for obtaining much with in streets and avenues and named; but it came to pass that the great expectations of the Co. failed to materialize and the only occupants of the corner lots were prairie dogs, owls and rattlesnakes. Murmurings were heard among the disappointed and it soon become like the

old nursery jingle,-"some flew east, some flew west and some flew over the Cuckoo's nest." Yet two or three remain unto this day. There is no longer any frontier; the county is thickly settled, towns are all on the R. R., which did come up the valley in ten years instead of one! To these later comers-their coming made possible by the endurance of the old settlers—the hardships and privations through which we passed seems incredible and I am so often urged to write about these days that I shall try to tell something of what one woman went through in settling the country.

I sit here and watch the covered wagons as they go farther west. Some are seeking that which can never be found until the Range is crossed over from which no man returns. Some will find their bright anticipations dwindle to crushed hopes-their joyous sowings will fail to contract, and I live again our journey through our Wilderness to the Canaan, which the frontier was an undertaking from which as by law in such cases made and provided. many would shrink. A faculty for idealizing was a help then and ever after. On May 15th, we started,—two wagons. In one, was the owner, who was also one of the original Theorem of the original Delay to the construction of the original Delay Townsite Co., two very young men, a Boston- tion of an irrigation and water power canal townsite Co., two very young men, a bostonian, and a day later were joined by another of the Co. who was afterwards State Superintendent of Public Instruction. In ours were J., likewise one of the Co., and myself and all our earthly possessions, except one box which was in the other was and water power can be passing through sections 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10, township 2, range 29 west, in said precinct, was on the 23d day of May, 1891, in accordance with the notice and proposition of the county commissioners of Red Willow county, Nebraska, duly carried and adopted by a more than 3 was in the other wagon and our sewing machine which was left until a more suitable time.
Utterly inexperienced, I had everything to Utterly inexperienced, I had everything to Geo W. Roper clerk of said county, and C. M. learn, and the Bostoman and I were the "tend erfoots" of the company.

It was a monotonous uneventful journey of three hundred miles. Riding along, day after day, the rattling of the harness the only ac-companiment to the sound of the horses feet, grew very irksome. The newness of everything was unpleasantly prominent, particular-ly in the suburbs of Lincoln and two little towns through which we passed. The sameness of the trip was broken when we reached the Platte Valley when that stream was bank the Platte Valley when that stream was bank full, from the spring thawing of snow in the mountains. The innumerable islands, big and little, all shapes and sizes, like dots of emerald on bands of silver, was a gladdening sight to eyes weary of miles and miles of the somber gray and brown prairie. One afternoon and night were spent at "Dobytown" near old Ft. Kearney. Here we found a striking instance of the largeness of ideas in the west. An enthusiast lived there who was actually publishing a little paper in the interest. ually publishing a little paper in the interest of what was to be "Centoria," the would be National Capital!—the "geographical centre of the U. S.!"—Alaska had not then been

The two boys entertained me with bloodcurdling stories of murdered men and every now and then pointed out a lonely grave, in which a man lay, who had been killed by his partner. We spent one day and night at the mouth of Plum Creek, to rest our tired horses, before crossing the divide between the Platte and Republican, which was thirty-five miles and no water for man or beast. These graces less boys spent the afternoon in exploring the place and reporting to me what they found. There was an old ruined ranch; this was a sod fortification used against the Indians, in the crumbling walls of which they picked out bullets. There was the slope over which the Indians rushed down on a party of emigrants; before crossing the divide between the Platte over there were eleven graves, where the butchered emigrants were buried. The sod ruins looked ancient, the evening was calm and still, we seemed so far from the rest of the world! The sun apparently dropping suddenly out of sight produced an uncanny sensation, heightened by the quick change of twilight to darkness; the stars intensely bright, but so distant! The peculiar condition of the atmosphere, added to the fatigue of travel, with catches of conversation of the men in regard to the possibility of Indians attacking us, all together, subdued reason, and nerves, not made to reason, but to feel, used their power. It was our custom in preparing for the night for J. to be in the wagon and unfold and spread the bed on top of the load, while I stood outside to straighten and arrange. This night as I took my place the darkness seemed more dense, the lantern on the inside making it all the blacker out and the mysterious stillness only increased the weirdness. I almost felt the Indians and I scrambled into the wagon, saying "I just can't stay out there, I'm afraid!" saying "I just can't stay out there, I'm atraid."
and each hair seemed erect and alive. And even now, after a lapse of all these years, in recalling that night I find my breath quickened and heart beating.

Leaving this place we traveled on reaching our destination on May 20th, having been two our destination on May 20th, having been two

weeks on the road. We found the large party of nine wagons which started two weeks before we did, had only been in twenty-four hours. Coming to our "claim,"—which had been located the fall before, when the Co. sent out the locating party,—we pitched our tent and here begun our new life. Into this nine

S. S. Graham, services as commissioner. 7.20

The following claims rejected:

Lews Knapp, med. attde. Eli Harger ... 5.00

On motion board adjourned to meet May 27th, 1891.

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Attest—Geo. W. Roper, County Clerk. been located the fall before, when the Co. sent out the locating party,—we pitched our tent and here begun our new life. Into this nine foot square tent we packed all we had, slept on the ground and for some weeks cooked by a camp fire, until the dugout kitchen could be ready. On one occasion, held an umbrella over the fire to prevent a rain from putting it out; though this was rare, as during the first year it seldom rained, only at night. After the kitchen was ready and stove set up, I recall the allowable pride with which I drove nails in the post supporting the ridge pole and hung in the post supporting the ridge pole and hung my pans and skillets and griddles and begun "our" housekeeping. At first we spread a newspaper on the ground to eat on, but afterwards J. made a table of the box in which we brought books, with legs of poles. I remember with what reverent thankfulness a blessing was asked on our humble beginnings, when we first sat down to this table with a cloth on it. We didn't have much to eat in those days and I, as a novice, was pleased with successful culinary experiments. For two years we had no cow, nor milk and butter, so my experiments were of a poverty stricken kind.

Stanton Rolly and Mary Rolly, defendants, will take notice that on the 11th day of April, 1891, Thomas Lonergan, plaintiff, filed his petition in the district court of Red Willow country, state of Nebraska, against the abovedidn't have much to eat in those days and I, as

a poverty stricken kind. In front of the tent was a shade of poles and willows, to the side the covered wagon bed, which answered for our small storeroom. A which answered for our small storeroom. A gunny-sack was used for carpet and I kept it swept all around so it had a feeling of home. Little by little conveniences were added and I felt quite proud of the seats which J. made; two three-legged stools and one four-legged. Two three-legged stools and one four-legged. Two three-legged with buffalo hide. During the fall three-legged stools and one four-legged. Two we covered with buffalo hide. During the fall when the soldiers left, we added to our possessions at their sale. A cotton wood bunk allowed us to rise from the ground to the dignity of a bed. A gunny-sack weatherbreak around and over the tent and a sheet iron stove made it comfortable for winter; and when we had company some would get on the bed for the Want of room.

[To be continued.]

#### COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.

(OFFICIAL.) COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE. Indianola, Neb., May 26th, 1891. Board of county commissioners met pur-suant to adjournment, Present, C. W. Hodgkin, S. S. Graham and Stephen Bolles, com-missioners, and Geo. W. Roper, county clerk. Minutes previous meeting read and approved.
In the matter of the Willow Grove precinct

NOTICE. STATE OF NEBRASKA, Red Willow County; ss:
To C. M. Goben and J. B. Mather, two disinterested voters of Red Willow county, Nebraska, you are hereby notified that you have been selected by me to act as members of a board of canvassers, consisting of the county clerk

purpose of aiding or building canal.

The following votes were cast: for issuing bonds, 363 votes. Against issuing bonds, 75 votes. Spoiled and rejected ballots, 14.

Total majority, two hundred and eighty eight (288) votes. We the undersigned, Geo.W. Roper, Clerk of Red Willow county, and C. M. Goben and J.B. Mather, two disinterested electors of said county, acting as a board of canvassers for the purpose of canvassing the votes cast at a special election held in Willow Grove pre-cinet, Red Willow county, Nebraska, on the 23d day of May, 1891, for the purpose of issuing bonds to aid in the construction of an irrigating and water power canal passing through sections 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10, township 2, range 29 west, in said precinct, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct return of all votes cast according to the poll books re-turned from said precinct.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the county to be hereto affixed this 25th day of May, 1891. GEO. W. ROPER, County Clerk.

[SEAL]

C. M. GOBEN, Canvasser.

J. B. MATHER, Canvasser.

ACTION OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

less of disappointment. Seeing these, the elasticity of time causes the intervening years to contract and I lime to the result of the canvass of the votes cast at the special election neld in Willow Grove prethrough our Wilderness to the Canaan, which was to flow with milk and honey. We left Kentucky in April, 1872, reaching Nebraska City on April 28th, where we remained about three weeks, getting an outfit and provisions and making ready for our future home. I understood afterwards the interest and pity manifested by these with whom I was through the proposition to issue bonds of said precinct in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars to aid in the construction of an irrigation and water power canal passing through sections 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10, township 2, range 29 west, in said precinct. The board upon due investigation to issue bonds of said precinct in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars to aid in the construction of an irrigation and water power canal passing through sections 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10, township 2, range 29 west, in said precinct. The board upon due investigation and water power canal passing through sections 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10, township 2, range 29 west, in said precinct. The board upon due investigation and water power canal passing through sections 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10, township 2, range 29 west, in said precinct. The board upon due investigation and water power canal passing through sections 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10, township 2, range 29 west, in said precinct. ifested by those with whom I was thrown. were in favor of said proposition, and it is hereby ordered that the notice of adoption of They knew! But, with me it was a case where "ignorance is bliss." I, a bride, brought up in one of the most exclusive parts of Kentucky, to go as a "homesteader" away out on tucky, to go as a "homes

> joben and J. B. Mather, the duly appointed canvassers, and that, thereupon, the county commissioners of said county, at their adjourned meeting on May 26th, 1891, found that cordance with the notice and call therefore, and that more than 3 of all the legal votes cast at said election were in favor of said proposition to vote said bonds, and that said election and vote were duly canvassed, and said proposition legally and duly adopted in ac-cordance with Chapter 45 of the Compiled

On motion the following claims were audited and allowed and clerk directed to draw warrants on county general fund levy, 1890, as follows: to-wit. K. Beck, juror Mar. term d. c..... \$ 4.10 

H. H. Mitchell, care of Frank Shaffer. 8.00 J. H. Bennett, med. for Sam'l Richards. 2.03 Joseph Menard, mdse. for Gerver 5.00 mdse. for Mrs. Purdee...
mdse. for Mrs. Hannan...
mdse. for Mrs. Kailey...
mdse. for county...

James Doyle, assessing Perry precinct... 55.80 w. K. Forsey, assessing Coleman precinct 55.60 E.E.Hayes, assessing Driftwood precinct. 54.00

FEES—HELENA JOHNSON, INSANE.
W. S. Phillips, 8.25
G. w. Curfman, 8.20 J. H. Berge, 3.00 w. A. McCool, 3.20 J. M. Short. 2.10 N. J. Johnson. 4.50 Mrs. J. M. Short,... 2.10

Ida Hauthorn. 2.10
w. A. McCool. 52.67
John Young, board for T. J. Malone. 16.87
Duncan Bros., mdse.for Otto Karthauser 18.25
w. T. Henton, R. R. fare Mrs. Felton. 2.50
Bartley Inter Ocean, stat'ery for co. tres. 3.60 

C. M. Loper, judge election & ret, books. 6.20 J. S. Allam, clerk election ....

Indianola, Neb., May 27th, 1891.
Board of county commissioners meet pursuant to adjournment. Present C. W. Hodgkin and S. S. Graham, commissioners, and Geo. W. Roper, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. On motion the following claims were audited and allowed: Frees & Hocknell, coal Wyckoff et al.... \$ 7.30

Wm.Hiersekorn, canvassing Beaver pre. 5.00 S. S. Graham, services as commissioner. 4.20 W. Hodgkin, services as commissioner 4.20 On motion the county treasurer was direct-On motion the county treasurer was directed to transfer the bond fund of school district.
No. 1 to the district fund of said district.
On motion board adjourned to meet June
9th. 1891. C. W. HODGKIN, Chairman.
Attest—Geo. W. ROPER, County Clerk.

named defendants, and others, the object and prayer of which is to foreclose a certain mortgage upon lot 2, block 26, in the first addition to the town of McCook, Red Willow county, \$550.00 with interest at ten per cent. per annum from October 25, 1888. That the deannum from October 25, 1888. That the defendants be required to pay said sum and interest or that said premises be sold according to law and the proceeds of said sale applied to the peyment of said debt.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 6th day of July, 1891.

Dated this 28th day of May, 1891.

14 THOMAS LONERGAN, Plaintiff.

By J. A. Cordeal, his attorney.

#### Program of the Closing Exercises

Of the McCook Public Schools, Lutheran church, Friday, May 29th, 1891, at 8:30, P. M. It may interest the friends of the school to know that this program is composed almost entirely of exercises used at the opening of our daily sessions; and, as the regular class work was continued without interruption up to the last week of the term, this entertainment is largely impromptu. It is not intended to make a showing of the work that has been done during the year, but you are in-vited to join the children in an hour's recrea-

PART FIRST. OVERTURE.

Concert Recitation, "YUSSOUF," The School. Song, ... "Good Neighbor," ... Chorus, Recitation, ... Bertha Boyle. "The Relief of Lucknow."

Violin Solo, ... Eva Reizenstein. "Turkish March." PART SECOND.

Recitation, Frank Conter.
"THE PAINTED BABY."
Duet, Belle and Lillie Spry.
Mamie Chapin.

Song, Chorus, GOOD NIGHT.

Military Bounty Land Warrant

Patents received at the McCook U. S. land ffice, May 28, 1891: Addison E. Fry. George E. Johnson, Herman Schumaker, Benjamin Bird, James S. Mavity, Horace H. Wag-goner, Edward Frame, Charles E. Stiles.

JONAS ENGEL, Manager.

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LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEB., April 30th, 1891.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Monday, June 15th, 1891, viz:

CHARLES S. WHITE, H. E. No. 6081 for the S. E. 14 of section 33, in town. I, north of range 30, west of 6th P. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: William H. Tegarden, Charles F. Elliott, William H. Benjamin and Lones F. Gardeer, all of Benkeville Neb. Jonas R. Gardner, all of Banksville, Neb. 49\* J. P. LINDSAY, Register.

10 o'clock, A. M., central time. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evenings at 8:00, central time.
All persons are cordially invited to these services.
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#### SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale directed to me from the district court of Red Willow county, Nebraska, on a judgment obtained before Hon. J. E. Cochran. judge of the district court of Red Willow county, Nebraska, on the 30th day of March, 1881, in layor of L. Alice Watson as plaintiff, and against Cyrus Cowles et al. as defendants, for the sum one hundred and eight dollars, and no cents, and costs taxed at \$36.03 and accruing costs, I have levied upon the following real estate taken as the proper ty of said defendants, to satisfy said decree, to-wit: N. W. & section 25, town. 3, range 27, west of 6th P. M., in Red Willow county, Nebraska. And will offer the same for sale to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, on the 13th day of June A. D., 1891, in front of the south door of the court house, in Indianola, Nebraska, that being the building wherein the last term of court was held, at the hour of one o'clock, P. M., of said day, when and where due attendance will be given by the under-

Signed.

Dated May 5th, 1891.

W. A. McCoof.,
Sheriff of said County.

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale directed to me from the district court of Red Willow county, Nebraska, on a judgment obtained before Hon.
J. E. Cochran, judge of the district court of
Red Willow county, Nebraska, on the 30th day
March, 1891, in favor of J. L. Moore as plaint.ff,
and against Edwin N. Benjamin and Ida C. Benjamin et al. as defendants, for the sum of one hundred and twenty-one dollars and sixtyone hundred and twenty-one dollars and sixty-two cents, and costs taxed at \$29.63 and accruing costs. I have levied upon the following real estate taken as the property of said defendants, to satisfy said decree, to-wit: E. ½ N. W. ½ and S. ½ N. E. ½ of section 31, township 2, north of range 29, west of 6th P. M., in Red Willow county, Nebraska. And will offer the same for sale to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, on the 13th day of June A. D. 1891, in front of the south door of the court house, in Indianola, Nebraska, that being the building wherein the last term of court was held, at the hour of one o'clock, P. M., of said day, when and where due attendance will be

day, when and where due attendance will be given by the undersigned.

Dated May 6, 1891.

W. A. McCool,
Sheriff of said County.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale directed to me from the district court of Red Willow county, Nebraska, on a judgment obtained before Hon.

J. E. Cochran, judge of the district court of
Red Willow county, Nebraska, on the 30th day
of March, 1891, in favor of W. O. McClure as
plaintiff, and against Gilbert B. and Charlotte E. Nettleton et al. as defendants, for the sum six hundred, sixty-eight dollars and twentyseven cents, and costs taxed at \$37.38 and ac cruing costs, I have levied upon the follow The Supreme Court of the United States has decided that the original package law passed by the last Congress was valid and constitutional, and that when it went into effect prohibitory laws remain in force without re-enactment. On the whole, the outlook for the hour of one o'clock, P. M., of said day, when and where due attendance will be given

Dated May 5th, 1891.

LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEBRASKA.!
April 20th, 1891.

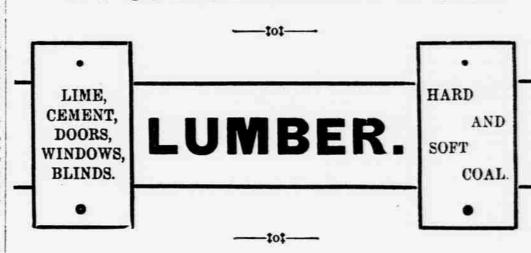
Notice is hereby given that the followingnamed settler has filed notice of her intention
to make final pre-emption proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Saturday, May 30th, 1891, viz:
ELIZA G. NETTLETON,
P. E. D. S. No. 7019, for the S. ½ S. W. ¼ and lots 6 and 7, Sec. 28, T. 3, N. of R. 30, W. 6th
P. M. She names the following witnesses to

prove her continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Rotheus S. Hileman, Mathew H. Johnston, John H. Whittaker, William Grimes, all of McCook, Nebraska.

J. P. LINDSAY, Register.

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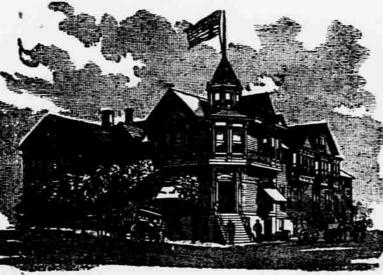
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